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when R² is optionally substituted Het-C₀alkyl, and Het is indole, benzofuran, benzothiophene, benzisoxazole, benzothiozole or benzopyrazole, then the optional substituent is not -(CH₂)₂NR⁴R⁵; and

R³ is H, optionally substituted C₁₋₆alkyl, C₃₋₆alkenyl, C₃₋₆alkynyl, optionally substituted Ar-C₀₋₆alkyl, optionally substituted Het-C₀₋₆alkyl, or C₃₋₇cycloalkyl-C₀₋₆alkyl, C₀₋₆alkyl-C(O)X'AB, C₀₋₆alkyl-S(O)₂X'AB, C₀₋₆alkyl-X'AB, wherein X' is O, S, C or N; A and B are independently H, optionally substituted C₁₋₆alkyl, C₃₋₆alkenyl, C₃₋₆alkynyl, optionally substituted Ar-C₀₋₆alkyl, optionally substituted Het-C₀₋₆alkyl, C₃₋₇cycloalkyl-C₀₋₆alkyl, or A or B are independently absent, provided that the compound is not 5-anilino-3-benzylthio-1,2,4-triazole, 3-(4-methyl-anilino)-5-benzylthio-1,2,4-triazole, 3-(2-methyl-anilino)-5-benzylthio-1,2,4-triazole, 3-(4-methoxy-anilino)-5-benzylthio-1,2,4-triazole, 3-(2-methoxy-anilino)-5-benzylthio-1,2,4-triazole, or 3-ethyl-3-anilino-5-benzylthio-1,2,4-triazole.

B² 17. (Amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound as claimed in claim 16 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

REMARKS

The above-identified application has been entered into the National Phase from PCT Application No. PCT/US00/26951.

The claims are 1-21, with claims 1, 6, 11, 16 and 21 being independent. Claim 16 has been re-amended to read in original form. Accordingly, Claim 16 is identical in scope to Claim 16 of the published PCT application. Claim 17 has been amended to correct a typographical error.

No new matter has been introduced.